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SHABBAT AND FESTIVAL CELEBRATIONS



EREV PESACH - EREV SHABBAT - FRIDAY - APRIL 3, 2015

THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE IN ORDER TO ENABLE ALL TO ATTEND A 1st SEDER!

Saturday - April 4, 2015 -

Torah Study - 9:15 to 9:45 am - Shabbat and Festival Morning Service - 10:00 am

Service will be led by Rabbi Hillel Cohn and Cantor Gregory Yaroslow using Siddur Hadash

Members of Congregation Etz Hadar will join in our Shabbat and Festival Morning Service

Torah Reading: ויום א' של פסח - Exodus 12:21-51 - Haftarah - Joshua 5:2-6:1, 6:27

Kiddush Following the Service



7TH (CONCLUDING) DAY OF PASSOVER - יום שביעי של פסח

Thursday - April 9, 2015 - 6:00-6:30 pm - led by Rabbi Cohn

Brief Festival Evening Service

Friday - April 10, 2015 - led by Rabbi Cohn & Cantor Bern-Vogel

Matzah Brei Breakfast at 9:00 am

Torah Study - 9:15 - 9:45 am - Festival Morning Service - 10:00 am ☆ ★

Yizkor/Memorial prayers will be recited

Torah Reading: - יום ז' של פסח - Exodus 13:17-15:26 - Haftarah - II Samuel 22

Kiddush Following the Service



Friday - April 10, 2015 - 7:30 pm - led by Rabbi Cohn & Cantor Bern-Vogel

Marriage Reconssecration for couples celebrating Quinquennial anniversaries during 2015

Oneg Shabbat/Chag Following the Service with Pesachdik Wedding Cake and Champagne

Saturday - April 11, 2015 led by Rabbi Cohn & Cantor Bern-Vogel

Torah Study - 9:15 to 9:45 am - Shabbat Morning Service - 10:00 am

Parashat Sh'mini - פרשת שמני - Leviticus 9:1-11:47 - Haftarah - II Samuel 6:1-7:17

Kiddush Following the Service



Friday - April 17, 2015 - 7:30 pm - led by Cantor Bern-Vogel

Cantor Bern-Vogel will be joined by the Temple Volunteer Choir

in a special musical presentation

Oneg Shabbat Following the Service

Saturday - April 18, 2015 - led by Rabbi Cohn & Cantor Bern-Vogel

Torah Study - 9:15 to 9:45 am - Shabbat Morning Service - 10:00 am

Parashat Tazria - פרשת תזריע - Leviticus 12:1-13:59 - Haftarah - II Kings 4:42-5:19

Kiddush Following the Service



Friday - April 24, 2015 - 7:30 pm - led by Cantor Bern-Vogel

Celebration of Yom Ha-Atzmaut - Israeli Independence Day

Oneg Shabbat Following the Service

Saturday - April 25, 2015 - led by Cantor Bern-Vogel

Torah Study - 9:15 to 9:45 am - Shabbat Morning Service - 10:00 am

Parashat Metzora - פרשת מצורע - Leviticus 14:1-15:33 - Haftarah - II Kings 7:3-20

Kiddush Following the Service

Rabbi Jay Sherwood Elected as Our Rabbi



We are delighted to announce that Rabbi Jay Sherwood has been elected to serve as the rabbi of our congregation. His election, as prescribed by the By-Laws of the congregation, took place at a duly-constituted meeting of the membership held on March 1, 2015. Rabbi Sherwood, currently serving as our part-time Director of Education, will commence his duties as our full-time rabbi on July 1, 2015 at which time Rabbi Hillel Cohn will return to the position of Rabbi Emeritus, a title he has held since his official retirement on June 2, 2001, but which was set aside for the 2014-2015 year when he returned to serve as our rabbi.

Rabbi Sherwood served for a number of years as Director of Education at Temple Beth Israel in Pomona. In 2005 he joined with other Jewish residents of the west end of the Inland Empire in forming Adat Re'im, a trans-denominational congregation in Rancho Cucamonga. He has served as the rabbi and educator of that congregation.

In addition to being a rabbi and educator, Rabbi Sherwood is an accomplished songwriter and performer of Jewish music. He is featured on two recordings, *Sh'ma Koleinu - Hear Our Voice* and *Wrapped Up In The Fringes*. Rabbi Sherwood received his undergraduate degree in Jewish studies at UCLA. He received his rabbinical training at the Academy for Jewish Religion, California where he also earned the degree of Master of Rabbinic Studies. He has served on the staff of numerous Jewish summer camps and has led travel programs to Israel.

We are exceedingly pleased to welcome Rabbi Sherwood as our rabbi and are also exceedingly pleased to welcome his family - his wife Lisa and their daughter Ilana.

An appropriate Service of Installation for Rabbi Sherwood will take place at the end of the summer. Between now and July 1st when he begins his full-time duties Rabbi Sherwood will be meeting with individuals and groups of members and will also be working with our staff in planning for the short and long-term future of Congregation Emanu El.

Rabbinic Reflections

A Passover Seder has many components that make it more than a meal. Obviously the foods play an important part but the words we recite and the songs we sing are equally as important. And, the presence of family friends gathered around a festively-set table has much to do with making the Seder memorable and meaningful.



One of the most spirited songs sung at a Seder is surely *Dayenu*. That one word means "It would have been enough!" The traditional Haggadah contains fourteen verses, each of which ends with the refrain of *Dayenu*. The first verse says "Had God taken us out of Egypt, and not brought judgment upon them (the Egyptians), "it would have been enough." The most popular verses are "Had God given us the Shabbat" *Dayenu* - it would have been enough and "Had God given us the Torah" *Dayenu* - it would have been enough."

A few years ago someone wrote some additional verses that might each inspire those at the Seder table to join in a hearty *Dayenu*. You might try having those around your Seder table read each of them and follow them with a rousing *Dayenu*:

"If we could make it a practice to spend time being with ourselves, honest about the truths of our lives, getting clear about what we want to learn or work on, *Dayenu*.

"If we could give and receive all the intimacy, affection, support, and nurturance, we need on an ongoing basis, to and from appropriate sources, *Dayenu*.

"If we could have fulfilling work, exciting play, creative endeavors, and no boredom, *Dayenu*.

"If the children of the world could receive enough good-parenting, schooling, and feeding that would allow them to grow into healthy and stable adults, *Dayenu*.

"If the fears of ill-health, loneliness, and poverty could be dispelled so that aging would be seen as part of the process of living as opposed to being something to be feared, *Dayenu*.

"If the commitment of lifetime learning, growth, risk-taking and expanded consciousness could become intense enough to allow for a critical mass of awakened, concerned and fully alive human beings to once again walk the planet at the same time, *Dayenu*.

"If we could then see *Tikun Olam*, universal healing in our lifetimes, *Dayenu*.

"If we could go out into the world and share the joyous message of the Haggadah and the redemption and the way we feel tonight celebrating Passover together, *Dayenu*."

My hope and prayer is that your Passover experience this year will bring you and those near and dear to you abundant satisfaction and great joy.

Rabbi Hillel Cohn

Cantorial Comments

Ma nishtanah ha-shanah haze?
Why is this year different from all other years?



Chag Sameach!!! I hope you're reading your April Bulletin because otherwise, Passover may be almost over! The first Seder which is generally celebrated in more intimate surroundings at home, begins this year's Pesach festival on Shabbat evening,

April 3rd. The traditional second Seder observed outside of Israel is popularly celebrated throughout the world and in synagogues as the Community Seder. Two seders are celebrated in the Diaspora, because the Jews living far from the land of Israel would not be aware which day had been declared the 1st of the new month in time to know which day would be the 15th – when the holidays of Passover and Sukkot begin. In order not to miss the correct day, the distant exiles observed the holiday on the two days that could possibly be the 15th of the month.

The Talmud relates that once the calendar had been set, the Jews of the Diaspora turned to the sages of the time and asked if they should return to observing only one day: "But now that we are well acquainted with the fixing of the new moon, why do we observe two days?" they asked. To which the Supreme Court in Israel responded: "Give heed to the customs of your ancestors which have come down to you; for it might happen that the government might issue a decree and it will cause confusion (in ritual)."

I will miss celebrating the beginning of the Pesach festival with you because I will be out of town with my husband's family for the first Seder; since it occurs on Shabbat, it is more difficult to come back in time for the first day of Pesach Festival morning service and Community Seder. I am grateful that Cantor Yaroslow will be able to join Rabbi Cohn on Shabbat morning, April 4th. I will look forward to concluding the Pesach Festival with you at the festival morning service which includes Yizkor on Friday morning, April 10th and then the Shabbat services on Friday evening, April 10th and Saturday morning, April 11th.

Wishing you and your families a joyous festival ~ May we all discover new meaning in our own personal redemption from the shackles that bind – mentally, emotionally and in our physical lives as well.

Cantor Jennifer Bern-Vogel

From the Educator's Desk



As we gather with family and friends around the Seder table, we read the ancient words of the Haggadah as proscribed by our ancestors. One of the most discussed sections of the Haggadah is the introduction of the four sons: the wise one, the wicked one, the simple one, and the one who does not know how to ask. An answer is provided for each child to the question of why we participate in the Seder. What is missing from the page is the identification of each child. Simply put, we are each a composite of all four; each one of us is sometimes wise and sometimes wicked, sometimes simple and sometimes silent. We are the four children. As such we ask questions and we provide answers, different answers for different needs.

The 12th century philosopher Maimonides writes in his Mishneh Torah, "It is a commandment to inform one's children even though they do not ask, as the Torah states (Exodus 13:8) 'you shall tell your son.' A father should teach his son according to the son's knowledge/mindset," (Mishneh Torah, Laws of Chametz and Matza, 7:2). Maimonides encourages us to be aware and sensitive to the ever-changing attitudes of our children. Each child will engage differently with the story at different times, and the challenge for the parent, or the educator, is to find the appropriate approach to reel the child in and stimulate his or her interest. As we go through the stages of our own lives, as we exhibit the characteristics of each of the traditional sons at various points in time, we engage with Jewish learning in different ways. The most important thing is that we are always encouraging our children and ourselves to further our connection to Jewish learning, as the Torah says, "even though they/(we) do not ask."

In honor of this Pesach season, I encourage all of you to recommit yourself to Jewish learning, for both your children and yourselves.

Rabbi Jay Sherwood

In Memoriam זכרנו לברכה

The congregation notes with profound sorrow
the recent death of

DANIEL HARRIS SILVER
husband of Alexis Silver
father of Sophia and Noah Silver
son of Shelley and Barry Silver

Danny was a fourth generation part of our congregation

May the memory of the righteous be for a blessing.

Presidential Perspectives



It is with great pleasure that I welcome Rabbi Jay Sherwood to his new position as Rabbi of Congregation Emanu El. Rabbi Sherwood has been our Director of Education of the School for Jewish Living this past year while also leading the Jewish community in Rancho Cucamonga at Temple Adat Re'im. He not only brings us his education skills and musical talents but also his wisdom of the Torah and Talmud. His wife Lisa is very active at Adat Re'im and Rabbi Sherwood tells us that she is excited about the opportunity to be a part of our congregation, both at services and with Sisterhood. Rabbi Sherwood is looking forward to getting to know each of you in the near future. We hope you will take the time to attend services and get to know him as well.

We have had two excellent events at the temple this past month. Comedy Night was a delight. It was a relaxing evening full of laughter, food, drink, and socializing as we were entertained by a group of comedians from the Southern California area. A fun time was had by all in attendance. The 2015 Edition of Purim Mishuggas was as crazy as advertised. Seeing Rabbi Cohn struggling to keep his Mickey Mouse head on securely was worth the price of admission (which, by the way, was free). Cantor Bern-Vogel, er.. Minnie Mouse (sorry) regaled us with prayers sung to popular Disney tunes. Janice Yellon represented Congregation Etz Hadar on the *bema* as both congregations shared that special evening. Events such as these do not happen by themselves. Greg Weissman and his dedicated committee helped to make Comedy Night a success. Rabbi Cohn and Cantor Bern-Vogel collaborated for a memorable Purim. Plans are in the works for more events such as a special Dinner-Dance in honor and appreciation of Rabbi Hillel Cohn and a tribute concert featuring the music of John Denver. Look for dates in the bulletin as well as emails and other communication.

Congregation Emanu El is the Jewish community's place to be for Shabbat, holiday and festival services, Jewish education, social action programs, and entertaining social events. We look forward to seeing you often.

B'Shalom

Paul Zipperstein

Sisterhood Speaks



Hello everyone,

Spring has sprung and we are looking forward to Passover and Mitzvah Day. I hope this time of year finds you well, enjoying the sunshine and maybe even planting your home gardens.

Looking at the calendar this month, we have our community Passover Seder wonderfully organized by Mara Winick with assistance and intuitive ideas by Rabbi Cohn. There is still time to make your reservations; I know this will be a meaningful experience for all. At the end of the month we will all, hopefully, participate in Mitzvah Day. As in years past, Sisterhood will be making tie blankets for the Childhood Cancer Foundation in Loma Linda. Tie blankets are easy and fun to make as a group. We need donations to make the tie blankets. You may either donate fleece, 2 yards pieces of fleece in any pattern or solids, or you may send money to me and I will do all the shopping. I have already received some cash donations to get us started. Last year we made more than 20 blankets as part of our congregational Mitzvah Day and they were greatly appreciated by the volunteers who deliver the blankets as well by the children who receive them. Remember to bring your scissors as well. We would love for you to join us on April 26th to perform Mitzvot in and around the temple to benefit our community and others. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Stacy Knox

Shabbat Alive Returns on May 1st



"Shabbat Alive", our monthly Erev Shabbat celebration that offers a more spirited form of Shabbat observance, will not be held in April because the first Friday of the month when "Shabbat Alive" is generally held is the Eve of Passover when there will be no service at the temple.

The next two "Shabbat Alive" dinners and services will be held on Friday, May 1st and Friday, June 5th. These celebrations begin with a dinner - either catered or pot-luck - at 6:00 and continue with the service at 7:00. These services are led by Rabbi Jay Sherwood and Charlie Kramer and feature music that is used in Jewish summer camps throughout the nation.

Please mark your calendars for these two dates so that you will miss being part of "Shabbat Alive", a wonderful Shabbat experience.

Mental Health Awareness In Action



The poet, T.S. Eliot says that April is the cruelest month. With spring flourishing everywhere, it is hard to accept that darkness can surround us even as the days lengthen and the air warms up. Yet we know

for many of us, many months are cruel. As life re-quickens in our veins, is there something we can do to lighten the days and months of those who struggle? Is there some way we can guide someone toward help and treatment?

During one of the programs of Mental Health Awareness in Action that we held in March, a parent of one of our TYGER youths spoke eloquently about the importance of opening to each other and truly *seeing* each other. How powerful it is to be acknowledged and accepted. How liberating it is to be honest about even difficult things in our lives. But that is often what it takes to start the greening of a new beginning, to help us find the courage to admit reality and to start on a path toward getting better, getting happier.

If there is someone in your life, a spouse, a child, a parent, a cousin, a friend whose life is made difficult by mental illness, please think about how you might help him or her find the strength to get treatment. Ask a gentle question. Listen with your open heart. Encourage. Love. This is spring. It's new. Delight and joy are waiting for every one of us. And surely the best time is now.

Nancy Sidhu and Heidi Nimmo

Co-Chairs

Mental Health Awareness In Action

Annual Meeting of the membership of Congregation Emanu El Thursday - May 28, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Social Hall

The Annual Meeting agenda includes the following:

- Election of officers and directors
- President's Report
- Rabbi's Report
- Presentation of the President's Award
- Overview of the Financial Condition & Budget
- "Good and Welfare" - a time for congregants to voice their concerns and propose changes

**The Annual Meeting will be preceded by a
Bar-B-Que dinner on the patio hosted by the
current officers and Board of Directors (no charge).**

Passover Services Schedule

1st Day of Passover and Shabbat Saturday - April 3, 2015 - 10:00 am

The service will be led by
Rabbi Cohn and Cantor Gregory Yaroslow
and will be a "traditional" service using the
Siddur Hadash prayer book used for many
years in our congregation

Eve of 7th Day of Passover Thursday - April 9, 2015 - 7:30 pm Brief Festival Eve Service

7th (Concluding) Day of Passover Friday - April 10, 2015 Matzah-Brei Breakfast at 9:00 am Festival Morning Service at 10:00 am

The service will be led by
Rabbi Cohn and Cantor Bern-Vogel
Yizkor/Memorial prayers will be recited

Marriage Reconsecration Ceremony to be Held Friday, April 10th

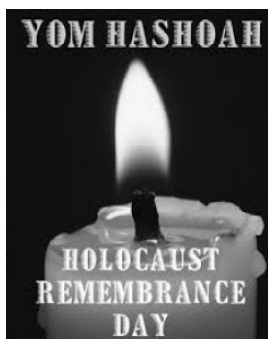
On Friday, April 10th our annual Marriage Reconsecration ceremony will be held as part of our Erev Shabbat service. We look forward to having a number of couples who are celebrating Quinquennial wedding anniversaries during 2015 (5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th and 60th) take part in this ceremony. They will be called to the *bema* where they will stand beneath the *chuppah*. They will repeat some of the acts of the traditional Jewish marriage ceremony such as sharing from a cup of wine, exchanging a ring, and breaking a glass. Each couple will receive a beautiful certificate marking the occasion.

Following the service the celebrating couples will be honored at the Oneg Shabbat where a Pesachdik wedding cake and champagne will be served.

While in most years this ceremony is held in our congregation in the Shabbat *during* Pesach when traditionally the biblical book, Song of Songs, is read this year it is being held at the conclusion of Passover, at the end of the 7th day. In deference to those who choose to observe Pesach for eight days, a practice among more traditional Jews outside of Israel, the Oneg Shabbat will be in keeping with the Passover food practices.

Come and witness this memorable ceremony and wish the "brides" and "grooms" well on their milestone anniversaries.

**Yom Ha-Shoah,
Holocaust Remembrance Day,
to be Observed with a Service
Wednesday, April 15th-7:30 pm**



All are requested to attend a special one-hour service on Wednesday evening, April 15th at 7:30 pm in our sanctuary in observance of Yom Ha-Shoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day. The service will include a special liturgy for Yom Ha-Shoah as well as the lighting of the Yom Ha-Shoah candleabrum in memory of the victims of

the Holocaust. Members of the wider community are being invited to attend this service as well so that they can join with us in recalling the horrors of the Holocaust and memorializing its millions of victims. Reflections on the Holocaust will be included in the solemn service.

We encourage all members of our congregation to light a Yom Ha-Shoah memorial candle on the evening of April 15th and let it burn throughout the next day. These special candles are available at no charge at the temple office and will also be distributed at the Yom Ha-Shoah service.

Feel free to invite your non-Jewish neighbors and friends to join you for this observance.



Congregation Emanu El

Dinner-Dance
to express appreciation
to
Rabbi Hillel Cohn
for his devoted year of volunteer
service to the congregation
from July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015

**Saturday - June 27th
in the Social Hall**

**Yom Ha-Atzmaut,
Israeli Independence Day, to
be Observed at Erev Shabbat
Service on April 24th**



The 67th anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel will be marked at our Erev Shabbat service on Friday,

April 24th. Israel was declared a state on the 5th of Iyar which in 1948 occurred on May 14th. This year it occurs on Friday, April 24th. The establishment of Israel, better thought of as the reestablishment of Jewish sovereignty in the ancestral land of the Jewish People, was a time of great rejoicing as close to 2,000 years of not enjoying sovereignty came to an end. In the past 67 years Israel has achieved a remarkable record of absorption of Jewish immigrants from all over the world, the development of a democratic state, as well as extraordinary scientific and technological advances that have impacted the entire world and much more.

As part of our celebration of Yom Ha-Atzmaut Cantor Bern-Vogel will lead the congregation in singing various songs that were part of the early Zionist Halutzim (pioneer) movement as well as songs that have emerged over the last 67 years.

A unique piece of art that captures the wording of the Israeli Declaration of Independence and a portrait of David Ben-Gurion who proclaimed the independence in 1948 (and includes the signatures of prominent Jews throughout the world) will be on display at the service.

**You are cordially invites you to join in worship
at the
Service of Confirmation
on the
Festival of Shavuot
Sunday - May 24th at 10:00 am**

Confirmands
Ryan Campbell
son of Pamela and Anthony Campbell
Erin Holder
daughter of Debra and Philip Holder
Bailey Kaufman
daughter of Michelle and Howard Kaufman
Maya Sophia Lang
daughter of Dr. Sharon Lang and Val Ordaz
Hannah Lewis
daughter of Dr. Mara Winick and Dr. Jeffrey Lewis

Rabbi Hillel Cohn
invites you to meet and hear
Dr. Jerome Segal
founder of the Jewish Peace Lobby,
on Sunday, April 12th
10:30 to 12:00
in the Social Hall

Dr. Segal will discuss the current political situation in the Middle East and share his views on the achievement of a peace between Israel and her neighbors.

If you have questions or views about the current situation between Israel and the Palestinians this is a special opportunity to hear from someone who has been involved in the "search for peace" process for many years.



Dr. Segal founded the Jewish Peace Lobby in 1989 for the purpose of promoting a just and lasting resolution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The organization is now made up of over 5,000 members and 400 rabbis. The

Jewish Peace Lobby works closely with Israeli, Palestinian, European and American policy-makers. It believes that the conflict should be resolved through the two-state solution, that Jerusalem must be shared by the two states, that Settlements must be brought to a halt and that the United States must be deeply engaged in the peace process and in a balanced manner.

Dr. Jerome M. Segal is a Senior Research Scholar at the Center for International and Strategic Studies as well as a Research Scholar at the Institute for Philosophy and Public Policy at the University of Maryland. Initially trained as a philosopher, Dr. Segal received his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan. He taught for several years in the Philosophy Department of the University of Pennsylvania. He then returned to school, and received an MPA from the Hubert Humphrey School of Public Affairs (University of Minnesota). He is the author of five books, "Creating the Palestinian State" (Lawrence Hill, 1989), "Agency and Alienation - a Theory of Human Presence" (Rowman and Littlefield, 1991), "Graceful Simplicity -- Toward a Philosophy and Politics of Simple Living" (Henry Holt, 1999), "Negotiating Jerusalem" (co-author) (SUNY Press, 2000) and "Joseph's Bones: Understanding the Struggle Between God and Mankind in the Bible" (Riverhead, 2008). He is also the author of over 50 op-ed pieces on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict and has made over 100 radio and TV appearances.

Dr. Segal is the uncle of our member, Dr. Sharon Lang, a professor at the University of Redlands.

Come and welcome Dr. Segal and listen to his perspective.

Tikun Lail Shavuot



In keeping with an old Jewish tradition of spending the night of Shavuot in study, we will hold a Tikun Lail Shavuot on Saturday evening, May 23rd from

7:30 to 10:00 at the temple. While the tradition is to actually spend the entire night in study, we will hold an abbreviated study period that evening. Rabbi Cohn, Cantor Bern-Vogel and Rabbi Sherwood will each teach a class on an area of Jewish thought or practice of their special interest and choosing. Each class will last for 40 minutes and will include plenty of time for discussion. You will be able to attend all three. The evening will end with a "Dairy Delight" reception featuring cheese-cake and ice-cream since it is customary to eat dairy foods on Shavuot.

Shavuot is one of the three major festivals of the Jewish year (the other two, Sukkot and Pesach). It commemorates the Receiving of the Torah by the ancient Israelites at the foot of Mount Sinai. While it marks the Receiving of the entire Torah, it especially celebrates the Receiving of the Decalogue, the Ten Commandments.

Names Inscribed on the Wall of Perpetual Memorial

At the Shabbat service held on Friday, March 27th the following names, newly inscribed on the Wall of Perpetual Memorial, were dedicated:

SAMUEL JARSON
MURIEL KATTAN
NANCY SUE KUSHNER

Temple Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday - April 16th - 7:00 pm
at the temple

All members are invited to attend and participate in the deliberations affecting our temple. Your input is truly valued

Sun Lakes Discussion Group

Tuesday - April 14th

7:30 to 9:00 pm

Rabbi Cohn will lead the discussion on
"Jewish Ethics and Contemporary Society"

Yahrzeits

The Yahrzeits of the following whose names are inscribed on the Wall of Perpetual Memorial will be observed during April:

April 3-4, 2015

Rose Langer
Morris Davis
Anselmo San Gabino
Leonard Harris
Morton Aronoff
Merrill Parlas
Rae Magid
Bessie Drumlevitz
Rose Nourok
Aron Wixen
Shirley Alan
Daniel Freeman
Roberta Weinstein
George Peters
Court Darrow
Percy Snyder
Morris Ernstein
Rose Newman
Lee Roshwald
Janet Frierman
Josephine Helman
Sol Robbins
Harry Zaritsky
Minnie Sperber

April 10-11, 2015

Samuel Finkler
Jerry Granowitz
Herman Miller
Barnet Shvemar
Louis Stahlberg
Sophia Laskin
Ida Brill
Leslie Lapides
Ella Hearsh
Fred Buse
Harry Weintraub
Celia Miller
Reba Rubin
Doris Moss
Joseph Jarcho
William Gilbert
Dora Libman
Andree Lehmann
Sam Rabenstock
Jack Harrison
Eleanor Meisinger
Myrtle Jacobson
Leah Rosen

April 17-18, 2015

Mozelle Mitchell
Rachel Hodes
Manny Berz
Fay Davidson
Margaret Neisen
Stella Kelber
Louis Blumenthal
Stanley Wolenski
Yetta Cohen
Mitchell Chudacoff
Evelyn Wolk
Harry Cole
Loyal Keir
Ida Hollander
Kerry Magid
Nathan Arbeitsman
Abe Burstin
Rose Roth
Bess Rubinstein
Morris Levy
Reba Bell
Martha Frankel
Hyme Budd
Zelda Secofsky
Reba Isenberg
Edward Lawrence
Doris Erlanger

April 24-25, 2015

Hyman Lapides
Julius Zelman, M.D.
Sadie Borsuk
Morton Klein
Sophie Silberman
Fritzie Feit
Rosalia Kaufman
Bertha Buse
Fanny Gerstein
Ben Miller
Morris Ellison
Charles Woldenberg
Baila Gordon
Michael Schon
Ruth Schwartz
Marion Granish
Abraham Feldstein
Saul Weinberg
Harry Teitelbaum
Helen Katz

Happy Birthday!!!

יום הולדת שמח

We rejoice with those whose birthdays occur in April and wish them a *Mazal Tov*:

Elayne Raynes	Curtis Eirew
Edward Stein	Jon Fenster
Mildred Hodes	Val Ordaz
Richard Simon	Stacy Knox
Carolayne Swedlove	Morriana Cardoza
Marilyn O'Dell	Hannah Darrow
Alvin Ellman	Michael Zipperstein
Diane Feldman	Shaina Knox
Asher Sheppard	Samuel Shiell
Ruben Blumen	Ethan Knox
Sylvia Joseph	Micah Knox
Alexandra Blumen	Joey Sousa
Gail Nachman	Hunter Verschell
Cantor Gregory Yaroslow	Aidan Cristall-Hagglov
Ellen Weiss	Samuel Quinn
Mark Strain	Cristall-Hagglov
Robin Uffer	Zachary Cristall-Hagglov
Gregory Spears	

Happy Anniversary

מזל טוב!

We congratulate and extend a *Mazal Tov* to the following whose wedding anniversaries occur in April:

Deborah & Arthur Lewin
Mildred & Irving Hiller
Stacy & James Knox
Debra & Philip Holder

We Gratefully Acknowledge...

We gratefully acknowledge these contributions to our various temple funds:

HOME OF ETERNITY CEMETERY FUND

In observance of the Yahrzeits of...

Edith Pasman by Shirley Pyrtle

Louis Press by Thelma Press and Family

Greg Comer by Phyllis Satz

Percy Snyder by Gloria and Max Chodak

Aaron Brill by Shelley and Barry Silver and family

In memory of...

Marc Benjamin Lubey by Larry Lerner, Shelley and Barry Silver and family

Hal Herman by Helene and Mark Jacobson

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In observance of the Yahrzeits of...

Albert Sussman by Diane Stone

Beverly Steinhorn by Janice and Alvin Ellman

Etta Rosenberg by Myral Bellman

Walter Pastuschek by Susanne Pastuschek

Victor Simon by Richard Simon

Anita Weissman by Jill, Greg, Alec and Sidney Weissman

Harvey H. Hosmann by Michele Hosmann Zipperstein

Norman Haydis by Robert Gross

George Groupp by Shelley M. Bodnar

Sophie Joseph by Thelma Press and Family

Rose Leviant by Ellen Weiss

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A Simplified Guide for Observing Passover



The Book of Exodus specifically mandates that “throughout the seven days (of Passover) unleavened bread shall be eaten.” Accordingly, *any food that has become fermented is prohibited during Passover.* These forbidden foods, and by extension utensils that come into contact with these foods, are characterized in Hebrew as *chametz*, literally meaning ‘sour.’ Although it may seem a simple matter to distinguish between that which is unleavened (*matzah*) and that which is leavened (*chametz*), it is not always obvious. The following is an attempt to clarify those foods which are considered leaven (not OK to eat) and those considered unleavened (OK to eat) during the seven days of Passover.

1. The following foods can be eaten without concerning yourself about their *chametz* content:

Fresh fruit
 Fresh vegetables (with the exception of rice, peas, beans such as lima)
 Green beans (string beans)
 Eggs
 Fresh fish
 Fresh meat and poultry
 All matzah products (including matzah flour, matzah meal, matzah farfel, and any other mixes)
 When buying Matzah be careful to look for the indication on the package that it is “Kosher for Passover.” Often supermarkets have Matzah that is not for use during Passover on their shelves along with Passover products.

2. The following foods can also be eaten without concern for *chametz* content. However, you would do well to purchase new packages and not use them before Passover:

Pure tea
 Pure coffee (with no cereal additives)
 Sugar
 Honey

Milk
 Butter (see category 3 for margarine)
 Cottage cheese
 Cream cheese

3. Although the following processed foods do not appear to contain *chametz*, they are often produced with *chametz*. For example, corn syrup is frequently used as a sweetener in ketchup and chocolate. It is therefore best to purchase these products for use during Passover only if they bear a label saying they are kosher for Pesach or if you at least read the contents label carefully. That way you will be sure that no *chametz* has been used in preparing them:

Condiments (ketchup, mayonnaise, etc.)
 Canned goods
 Grape juice
 Wine
 Oils
 Candy
 Ice Cream
 Yogurt
 Potato Chips
 Margarine (no corn oil)

4. And just stay away from the following foods altogether:

Leavened bread, rolls, bagels, muffins, biscuits, croissants, doughnuts, crackers.
 Cakes (unless made especially for Passover)
 Cereals
 Coffee with cereal additives
 Wheat, barley, oats, spelt, rye
 All liquids containing ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol (including beer, whiskey, and all other liquors made with grain)

The Ashkenazic tradition (European Jews) and Sephardic tradition (Spanish and North African Jews) differ on a number of food items considered to be “kosher” for Passover. The Ashkenazic tradition deems corn, rice and beans as *chametz* (because they expand or rise during cooking) and are, therefore, forbidden foods during Passover. The Sephardic tradition not only allows those foods during Passover, but includes some of them in time-honored dishes reserved for the Seder meal.

Whatever your heritage or tradition of “keeping Passover”, may your holiday be enhanced and enriched by the foods you and your family choose to, or not to, eat. Jewish life teaches us that each dining room table in every Jewish home is a *mikdash me’at*, a miniature Sanctuary where the *Shechinah*, God’s presence on earth, awaits to reside. May your table, during Passover and after, offer its sanctuary to those who sit around it.

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TYGER, our youth group will be going to Cornerstone Church in San Bernardino on Wednesday, April 8th for another great Mitzvah activity - feeding the hungry and homeless. All teens are asked to meet at our temple at 6:00 pm. We will then be going to Cornerstone Church for this important activity. In order to make the necessary transportation arrangements, please RSVP by April 4th by calling Jessica Aceves, the TYGER advisor, at (951)505-0801.

On Saturday, April 11th, TYGER will have a fun activity - Cosmic Bowling. It will be held at the Empire Bowl, 940 W. Colton Avenue in Redlands. RSVP's are necessary and must be made by April 7th. Call Jessica to let her know that you will be attending.

TYGER is especially proud of Sidra Knox who was a delegate at the national convention of NFTY, the National Federation of Temple Youth, held in Atlanta in February. She has already begun to share some of the many things she learned there.

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ACTIVE
ON MITZVAH DAY**

SUNDAY - APRIL 26th

AT THE TEMPLE - BEGINNING AT 9:30 AM

A Day to Do Something Good!

There will be a number of projects that you can work on...

- ▶ Making "tie blankets" for the Childhood Cancer Foundation in Loma Linda...
- ▶ Helping two Eagle Scout candidates (Ethan and Micah Knox) construct a Ga-Ga Pit on the temple grounds...
- ▶ Weeding and other cleanup to beautify our temple grounds...
- ▶ Making sandwiches and preparing other food for the hungry (a project that we do in cooperation with Cornerstone Church in San Bernardino...
- ▶ Other projects are still in the planning stage and will be announced...
- ▶ Students of our School for Jewish Living will have a special learning session about performing Mitzvot and then engage in some creative Mitzvah projects...

**OUR ENTIRE CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY - CHILDREN, YOUTHS, ADULTS OF ALL AGES -
WILL JOIN IN A DAY OF DOING SOMETHING SPECIAL - DOING MITZVOT!!!**

Please feel free to participate in one, two or however many projects you want! Come for a little while or stay most of the day!!! Whatever time and energy you can give will be a real Mitzvah!!!